

**Approved  
Town of Wethersfield  
Budget Workshop Meeting  
Thursday, April 28, 2016  
Town Manager's Conference Room, Town Hall  
505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield CT  
6:30 pm**

Council Members Present: Mayor Paul Montinieri, Deputy Mayor Steven Barry, Council Members Tony Martino, Donna Hemmann, Amy Bello, Michael Rell, Anthony Spinella, Mike Hurely. (Jodo Latina arrived at 7:15 pm)

Board of Education Members Present: Board Chairperson Bobbie Granato, Polly Moon, John Morris, Matthew Forrest, Elain Steinmiller-Paradise, Janet Vasel, Diane Fitzpatrick.

Staff Present: Michael O'Neil, Finance Director, Michael Emmett, Superintendent of Schools, Matt Kozaka, Business Manager, Sally Dastoli, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, Keith Rafaniello, Director of Technology, Fred Bushey Director of Maintenance and Operations.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm.

The purpose of the workshop meeting was to discuss the requested 2016-2017 Wethersfield Board of Education budget. There were questions related to the projected ending balance of the current year, the need for the additional world language teacher, the Transition Academy, utility costs, the effect of the known retirements and postage.

There was general conversation as well around the proposed revised Governor's Budget and the reduction of \$698,000 of the Education Cost Sharing grant and its impact on the Town Budget and school's educational program.

The Town Council has a couple more work sessions on the budget before the proposed adoption date of May 12<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Minutes prepared by:  
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APPROVED BY VOTE OF COUNCIL  
May 16, 2016